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For: CHARGING METHOD AND	)	Confirmation No.: Unassigned
CHARGING SYSTEM	)	

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the document on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

A copy of the listed foreign document is attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that it was considered by making the appropriate notation on the attached form.

An English Abstract of the Japanese Publication is enclosed.

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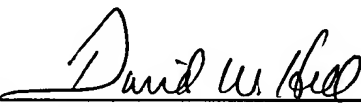
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